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# 2005 Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Silver Dollar Available July 20

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Washington — The United States Mint announced today that it will begin selling the 2005 Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Silver Dollar on July 20, 2005, at 12:00 noon (ET). The new coin will be available in proof and uncirculated condition, as well as being a part of two special, limited−edition collector sets: the Marine Corps Coin & Stamp Set and the 2005 United States Mint American Legacy Collection™.

During the pre-issue period, from July 20 to August 22, the proof 2005 Marine 230th Anniversary Silver Dollar will be available online, by telephone, and by mail for \$35 and the uncirculated silver dollar for \$33. After August 22, the proof silver dollar will be available for \$39 and the uncirculated silver dollar for \$35. There is a limit of 99 units per order and per household for the standard proof and uncirculated coin options, in any combination. This limit will be lifted August 10, 2005, if quantities are still available.

Priced at \$135, the 2005 United States Mint American Legacy Collection is reminiscent of the Prestige Set previously offered by the United States Mint, and features the Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Proof Silver Dollar along with the Chief Justice John Marshall Proof Silver Dollar and proof versions of all 2005–dated circulating coins. This set has a limit of up to 100,000 units. Priced at \$40, the Marine Corps Coin & Stamp Set features a Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Uncirculated Silver Dollar and an original "uncancelled (also known as mint–condition)" 1945 three–cent Iwo Jima stamp. This set is limited to 50,000 units

There is a limit of 10 units per order and per household for the American Legacy Collection, and a limit of five units per order and per household for the Marine Corps Coin & Stamp Set. These limits will be lifted August 10, 2005, if quantities are still available.

Both the proof and uncirculated versions of the coin will be minted at the United States Mint at Philadelphia and carry the "P" mint mark. The maximum mintage across all sales options is 600,000 coins.

Designed by United States Mint sculptor–engraver Norman E. Nemeth, the obverse of the Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Silver Dollar features a rendition of Associated Press photographer Joe Rosenthal's historic photograph depicting the raising of an American Flag by the United States Marines on Iwo Jima.

The coin's reverse, designed by United States Mint sculptor–engraver Charles L. Vickers, features an engraving of the Eagle, Globe and Anchor, the official emblem of the United States Marine Corps.

Customers can purchase the 2005 Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Silver Dollar beginning at noon (ET), July 20, 2005, by using the United States Mint's secure website, www.usmint.gov, by calling 1–800–USA–MINT (872–6468), or by mail at United States Mint, P.O. Box 382618, Pittsburgh, PA 15250–8618. Hearing– and speech–impaired customers with TTY equipment may order by calling 1–888–321–MINT (6468). A shipping and handling fee of \$4.95 per order will be added to all domestic orders.

Authorized by Public Law 108–291, dated August 6, 2004, the silver dollar commemorates the 230th anniversary of the founding of the United States Marine Corps, on November 10, 1775. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of each coin is authorized to be paid to the United States Marine Corps Heritage Foundation for the purpose of constructing the Marine Corps Heritage Center.

For a digital image of the Marine Corps 230th Anniversary Silver Dollar.

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